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Certificate to the
Governor and Council.

7th July 1860

One Soldier's right.

This certifies that I have examined the
claim of Alexander Smith of East Sullbury, in
the County of Middlesex & Comm. of Massachusetts —
a formerly a Soldier of the Revolutionary War in
the ^{Massachusetts} Regiment of Artillery commanded by Col.
Greene — and I am satisfied that said Alexander
Smith is entitled to the gratuity of Fifty Dollars,
according to the provisions of the Resolve of the
Legislature of this Comm. passed the 12th day of
March 1835 —

Senat Office

Geo. W. Coffin
Senat Agent.

July 4th 1840.

To His Excellency the Governor
and the Hon^{ble} Council

I hereby certify, That the accompanying pages— numbered
from one to five inclusive are truly copied from the originals
— in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions, Department
of War.

J L Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions.

Be it remembered, That James L. Edwards, who has signed
the foregoing certificate, is Commissioner of Pensions; and that to
attestations full faith and credit are and ought to be given.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto
subscribed my name, and caused the seal
of the Department to be affixed, on
this twenty seventh day of May
in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ~~thirty~~ forty.

J. P. Voinute
Secretary of War.

United States
Massachusetts District.

Alexander Smith of East Sud-
bury, in the County of Middlesex in the District of Mas-
sachusetts applicant for a pension from the United States,
under an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide
for certain persons engaged in the land and naval
service of the United States in the revolutionary war,"
maketh oath, that he served in the war of the revolu-
tion on the continental establishment for the term of
two years and upwards and in manner following,
viz. On the thirtieth day of March A. D. 1781 he
enlisted in the service of the United States for the
space of three years and entered in the company
of Thomas Seward belonging to the regiment of
Massachusetts Artillery commanded by Colonel
Crane and continued connected with said com-
pany and regiment until by an arrangement of
the army, that regiment was reduced and then
was annexed to another company (the Captains
name he does not recollect) belonging to said
Regiment and continued doing duty in said
Regiment until the 22^d day of December A D
1783 when he received an honourable discharge
which he herewith exhibits.

Alexr Smith

Massachusetts District J.

27 March A. D. 1818

Shown to before me

Jno. Davis

Dist. Judge Mass. Dist.

Mag. Dist. Boston July 29. 1818 I also further
testify and say that I am in such reduced
circumstances in life as to need the assistance
of my country for support

Alex. Smith

Sworn to before me

J. Davis

D. J.

Massachusetts District, ss.

17 April 1819

I am satisfied that the above named
Alexander Smith by reason of his reduced cir-
cumstances in life, is in need of assistance from his
Country for support.

To the Secretary of the War Department of War } Jno. Davis { District Judge U.S.
Massachusetts Dist.

Massachusetts District ss.

Boston July 30 A.D. 1818

It appearing to my satisfaction, that
Alexander Smith subscribed to the annexed de-
claration, sworn to before me, did serve in the revolu-
tionary war against the common enemy, as stated
in said declaration, I now transmit the testimony
in the case, with the proceedings had thereon, to
the Secretary of the department of war, pursuant
to the directions of the Act entitled "An act to
provide for certain persons engaged in the land

"and naval service of the United States in the rev-
olutionary war;" the testimony and proceedings in
the premises being the declaration aforesaid, with
the accompanying document marked A together
with this certificate.

In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and caused the seal
of the District Court of the United States for this
District to be hereunto affixed

Jno. Davis } Judge of the District Court U.S.
Massachusetts District.

By the Honourable
Major General Knox
Commanding the American Forces on Hudsons River
Alexander Smith in the Massachusetts Artillery
Regiment being enlisted for three years, is hereby honou-
rably discharged from the Service of the United States.
Given in the State of New York the twenty second day of
December 1783.

By the General Command Knox M Genl
Registered in the Books of the Regiment
Sam. Cooper
Adjnt.

Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the
17th June, 1832.

State of Massachusetts ss.
Worcester County }

On this nineteenth day of

June, 1837. personally appeared before the Hon.^d Ira Barton, Judge of the Court of Probate in and for the County of Worcester, Alexander Smith, a resident of Grafton, in the County of Worcester, and State of Massachusetts, aged Seventy four years, who being first duly sworn, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.—

That he enlisted in the service of the revolutionary war, and served in the company commanded by Captain Seward, in Colonel Brain's Regiment, as a private soldier, and continued in said service for the period of time specified in his declaration, now on file in the office of the Department of War at Washington, for which service he received a pension commencing on the 27th of March, 1818, as appears by his pension certificate dated May 15th 1819, herewith exhibited, and numbered 10, 610. To which declaration and the evidence accompanying the same, the said Smith respectfully refers for such proof as may be required to corroborate this present statement. And he hereby relinquishes all claims he has to any pension under the laws of the United States, for services during the Revolutionary War, excepting the present, and prays that his name may be inscribed on the pension roll anew, and a certificate granted to him, according to the terms of the said Act of Congress, of the 7th June, 1832.

Alex^r. Smith

Subscribed and sworn to, by the aforesaid applicant, the day and year secondly above written. before me Ira Barton
Judge of Probate for Worcester County

And hereupon the Court do declare it as their opinion, that the said Alexander Smith was a soldier of the revolution, and that he served therein as he hath ^{above} on oath declared; he being reported to be a person of truth.

Ira Barton Judge
of said Court of Probate

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Worcester ss.

I, Theophilus Wheeler, Register of the Court of Probate, in and for said County of Worcester, do hereby certify, that Ira Barton, Esquire, above named, is the Judge of Probate, in and for said County, and that his signature to the foregoing certificate is in his own proper hand writing.

T. W.

In testimony whereof, I hereto set my name, and affix the Seal of said Court, at Worcester, this nineteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord 1837.

Theophilus Wheeler Reg^r of the
said Probate Court.

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